

Healthcare Heroes Month

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WHEREAS, in March 2020, the first case of COVID-19 was announced in San Diego County and strong measures were enacted to prevent the spread of the virus; **and**

WHEREAS, Healthcare Heroes treated patients with a novel coronavirus, putting their lives and the lives of their families at risk; **and**

WHEREAS, doctors, nurses, first responders, emergency medical technicians and all healthcare professionals joined together to care for patients who were severely ill, scared and isolated from their families, offering kindness, friendship and comfort in their darkest hours; **and**

WHEREAS, Healthcare Heroes persevered through surge after surge of COVID-19 infections, hospitalizations and deaths. Despite the exhaustion, trauma and heartache, they persisted in the work of returning patients to health; **and**

WHEREAS, Healthcare Heroes organized vaccination centers and vaccinated San Diego residents to prevent severe illness and death, which allowed many people to return to their livelihoods and reunite safely with their families and friends; **and**

WHEARAS, Healthcare Heroes stand ready to care for our communities no matter what public health challenges present in the future; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Council of the City San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim March 2022, to be "**Healthcare Heroes Month**" in the City of San Diego.